

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

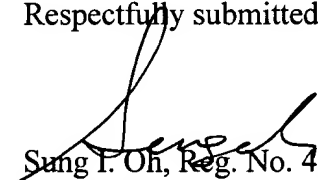
Claims 16, 52, 67, and 80 have been canceled.

Claims 15, 17-51, 53-54, 65-66, 68-69, 79, and 81-82 are now pending.

In the Office Action dated February 9, 2005, claim 80 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. In response, claim 80 has been canceled view of the current amendment to its independent claim 15. The Office Action indicated that the dependent claims 16, 52, and 67, including others, would be allowable if they are rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims. In response, independent claims 15, 47, and 65 have been amended to include the limitations of their respective dependent claims 16, 52, and 67. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicant's undersigned representative at (213) 624-2500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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